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SUBJECT: TRAVELS OF KIM IL-SUNG

REF: BUCHAREST 2274; MOSCOW 7086; SOFIA 1025 (NOTAL)

1. GENERALLY AGREED THAT KIM IL-SUNG WILL VISIT SOFIA SOME-
TIME FIRST WEEK OF JUNE. JAPANESE EMBASSY REPORTS THAT KIM
WILL VISIT BELGRADE FOLLOWING CURRENT VISIT TO ALGERIA.
ALSO MAINTAINS HE WILL GO FROM BULGARIA TO SYRIA AND
PERHAPS IRAQ BEFORE RETURNING TO NORTH KOREA.

ACCORDING TO JAPANESE, PURPOSE OF TRIP IS TO SOLICIT NON-
ALIGNED SUPPORT FOR NORTH KOREAN OBSERVER STATUS IN UN.

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2. IF PURPOSE OF TRIP AND ITINERARY IS AS OUTLINED ABOVE,
BULGARIA STOP SEEMS SLIGHTLY OUT OF STEP. NOT THAT
BULGARIANS WILL NOT SUPPORT NORTH KOREA'S UN AMBITIONS BUT
BECAUSE IT IS APPARENTLY THE ONLY "ORTHODOX COMMUNIST"
COUNTRY TO BE VISITED DURING TRIP. IT CAN, HOWEVER, BE
EXPLAINED AS A RETURN VISIT SINCE ZHIVKOV JOURNEYED TO
NORTH KOREA IN 1973.
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